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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A leave-on cosmetic composition suitable for topical application to the skin comprising:

- from about 6% to about 20% of a polyhydric alcohol; and
- a cation containing polymer selected from the group consisting of cationic, basic, amphoteric and zwitterionic polymers and mixtures thereof;

wherein said composition comprises less than 4% of an anionic, zwitterionic or amphoteric surfactant and from about 0.01% to about 1.0% of [C₁₀ to C₁₆] C₈ to C₂₄ mono, -di and -tri acyl sugar esters.

2. (Previously presented) composition according to Claim 1 comprising from about 7% to about 15% by weight of the polyhydric alcohol, or mixtures thereof.

3. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 2 wherein the polyhydric alcohol is selected from the group consisting of glycerine, butylene glycol, propylene glycol, dipropylene glycol, polyethylene glycol, hexane triol, ethoxylated glycerine, propoxylated glycerine and mixtures thereof.

4. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 3 wherein the polyhydric alcohol is selected from the group consisting of glycerine; polyethylene glycol and mixtures thereof.

5. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 4 wherein the cation containing polymer is a cationic polymer.

6. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 5 wherein the cationic polymer is a cationic polysaccharide selected from the group consisting of cationic cellulosic polymers, cationic polysaccharide gums and mixtures thereof.

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7. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 6 wherein the cation containing polymer is selected from polyquaternium-10, guar hydroxypropyltrimonium chloride, hydroxypropyl guar gums, or mixtures thereof.
8. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 7 comprising from about 0.01% to about 20% by weight of the cation containing polymer, or mixtures thereof.
9. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 8 wherein the composition comprises less than 2% of an anionic, zwitterionic or amphoteric surfactant.
10. (Previously presented) A composition according to Claim 9 wherein when the composition comprises an anionic surfactant, the composition has a ratio of cation containing polymer to anionic surfactant of greater than 1.
11. (Previously presented) A cosmetic method for moisturizing skin comprising the step of applying to the skin a composition according to Claim 10.
12. (Previously presented) The cosmetic method of claim 11 wherein the composition comprises a cation containing polymer selected from the group consisting of cationic, basic, amphoteric and zwitterionic polymers, and mixtures thereof.
13. (Previously presented) The cosmetic method of claim 13 wherein said composition is left on the skin.

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